COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Executive Order 84

CONTINUING THE *OLMSTEAD* INITIATIVE

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor under Article V of the Constitution of Virginia and under the laws of the Commonwealth, including but not limited to Sections 2.2-103, 2.2-134, and 2.2-135 of the *Code of Virginia*, and subject to my continuing and ultimate authority and responsibility to act in such matters, I hereby continue the Olmstead Initiative, which was established through Executive Order 61 (2004).

The Community Integration Oversight Advisory Committee is classified as a gubernatorial advisory commission in accordance with Sections 2.2-134, 2.2-135 and 2.2-2100 of the *Code of Virginia*. Its specific duties and responsibilities remain as stated in Executive Order 61 (2004), with the funding sources and amounts of staff and financial support originally estimated, subject to additional duties and responsibilities as noted herein.

The Community Integration Implementation Team's specific duties and responsibilities remain as stated in Executive Order 61 (2004), with the funding sources and amounts of staff and financial support originally estimated, subject to additional duties and responsibilities as noted herein.

The Director of Community Integration for People With Disabilities' specific duties and responsibilities remain as stated in Executive Order 61 (2004), with the funding sources originally estimated, subject to additional duties and responsibilities as noted herein.

The Committee and the Team shall collaborate and, using a strategic planning process, shall update and prioritize the recommendations in the Task Force Report. The reports submitted by the Implementation Team to the Oversight Advisory Committee and the Oversight Advisory Committee to the Governor shall include recommendations for:

➢ Increasing membership of people with disabilities, family members, and surrogate decision-makers on state and local boards and commissions.

➢ Establishing and maintaining a waiting list of residents, by disability, who are appropriate for discharge, who want to be discharged, from nursing facilities and assisted living facilities.

➢ Assuring an appropriate statewide system for reporting of allegations of abuse, neglect, serious injuries and deaths by providers of community services and supports to people with disabilities.

➢ Developing a statewide system of consistent rights notification that includes a means by which the quality of information given to such individuals, and the consistency with which information is given, are tracked.

➢ Monitoring the quality and coordination of services provided to persons with disabilities, including a process by which complaints relating to the denial, quality and coordination of services provided to persons with disabilities may be made by or on behalf of individuals with disabilities and resolved.

➢ Developing a coordinated reporting system across agencies to monitor the effectiveness of efforts to improve the quality and coordination of services provided to persons with disabilities consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act and recommendations in the Task Force Report, including a system to measure and evaluate the performance of the Commonwealth.

The Director shall serve as a resource upon request of any agency to assist in developing and implementing agency policies and regulatory changes required. The Director shall report annually to the Governor regarding the status of efforts to improve the quality and coordination of services and supports received by individuals with disabilities.

This executive order shall be effective January 14, 2005, and shall remain in full force and effect until January 14, 2006, unless amended or rescinded by further executive order.

Given under my hand and under the Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia this 14th day of January 2005.

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Mark R. Warner, Governor

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Secretary of the Commonwealth